

1 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
2 DISTRICT OF NEVADA

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4 JAMES BLAND,

5 Petitioner,

6 v.

7 STATE OF NEVADA, et al.,

8 Respondents  
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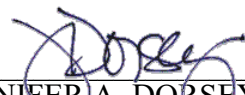
Case No. 2:17-cv-03113-JAD-GWF

**ORDER**

10 The court directed petitioner to file an amended petition because the grounds that  
11 petitioner alleged in his original petition were too vague. Petitioner has not filed an amended  
12 petition within the allotted time. Petitioner did file a document entitled "Answer and Response" in  
13 which he states, "Comes now the above did not get a fair trial, the trial court hindered his defense,  
14 . . . he did not testify at his trial"<sup>1</sup> Even if the court were to consider this document an amended  
15 petition, it still is far too vague. So, the court dismisses this action for failure to obey a court  
16 order. The dismissal is without prejudice, but petitioner still will be responsible for commencing  
17 any new action within the time limits of 28 U.S.C. § 2244(d). And because reasonable jurists  
18 would not find the court's conclusion to be debatable or wrong, the court will not issue a  
19 certificate of appealability.

20 IT THEREFORE IS ORDERED that **this action is DISMISSED** without prejudice for  
21 petitioner's failure to file an amended petition in compliance with the court's order. The Clerk of  
22 the Court is directed to ENTER JUDGMENT accordingly and close this case. A certificate of  
23 appealability will not issue.

24 Dated August 7, 2018

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JENNIFER A. DORSEY  
26 United States District Judge  
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28 <sup>1</sup> ECF No. 12 (citation omitted).